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1. (Amended) A compound 6 to 50 nucleobases in length targeted to a nucleic acid molecule encoding phospholipase A2 group $V_{ij} (SEQ)^2$ ID NO:3), wherein said compound specifically hybridizes with said nucleic acid molecule encoding phospholipase A2 group V and inhibits the expression of phospholipase A2 group V.

REMARKS

This preliminary amondment is being filed in response to a telephone interview with Examiner Schultz on February 20, 2003. Claim 3 has been canceled. Claim 1 has been amended to incorporate the SEQ ID NO. of the target sequence. This amendment to the claim is based on teachings throughout the specification as filed [No new matter has been added by this amendment.

Attached hereto is a marked up version of the changes made to the claims by the current-amendment. The attached page is captioned "VERSION WITH MARKINGS TO SHOW CHANGES MADE "

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In the claims:

Claim 3 has been canceled.

Claim 1 has been amended as follows:

1. (Amended) A compound 3 to 50 nucleobases in length targeted to a nucleic acid molecule encoding phospholipase A2 group V_{\perp} (SEO ID NO:3), wherein said compound specifically hybridizes with said nucleic acid molecule encoding phospholipase A2 group V and inhibits the expression of phospholipase A2 group V.